

HOUSE No. 2117

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Peter J. Koutoujian

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to increase the presence of dental hygienists on the board of registration in dentistry. .

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Peter J. Koutoujian	10th Middlesex
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2180 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PRESENCE OF DENTAL HYGIENISTS ON THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN DENTISTRY.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority
of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 19 of chapter 13 of the General laws, as amended by section 1 and section
2 2 of chapter 530 of the acts of 2008 , is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph and
3 inserting in place thereof the following paragraph: -

4 There shall be a board of registration in dentistry in the following 2 sections called the board,
5 consisting of 12 persons, each of whom shall be a legal resident of the commonwealth, to be
6 appointed by the governor; 6 of whom shall be graduates of a reputable dental college and be
7 reputable dentists who have maintained a license to practice dentistry in the commonwealth who
8 have maintained a license to practice dentistry in the commonwealth for the 8 years next
9 preceding his appointment; 4 of whom shall be a graduate of a reputable school of dental
10 hygiene and a reputable dental hygienist who has maintained a license to practice dental hygiene
11 in the commonwealth for the 5 years preceding his appointment; 2 of whom shall be
12 representatives of the public , subject to the provisions of section 9B. No more than 1 member of
13 the board who is a dentist may be a full time member of the faculty or a trustee of any institution
14 engaged in educating dentists or having power to confer degrees in dentistry. The governor shall
15 appoint annually in April, for a term of 5 years, a successor to those members of the board whose
16 terms are expiring in that month. No member shall serve more than 2 full terms.